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The Honorable Gregory H. Woods
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Re: *First Look Institute, Inc., et al. v. National Institutes of Health*,
No. 21 Civ. 4024 (GHW)

Dear Judge Woods:

This Office represents defendant the National Institutes of Health (“NIH”) in the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) matter. In accordance with the Court’s order dated February 9, 2023 (ECF No. 59), we write respectfully on behalf of the parties to provide a status report.

As explained in the last status report (ECF No. 58), in connection with the parties’ discussions concerning the scope of potential summary judgment briefing, NIH made a second release of previously-withheld material on January 11, 2023. Plaintiffs are continuing to review that production, and the parties expect to engage in further discussions. Accordingly, we respectfully request permission to submit a further status report by Wednesday, April 5, 2023.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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